# ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a method of converting data stored in one or mores files from a first format to a second format. The files include one or more records, with each record including one or more fields of data. Each of the records is associated with a first data map corresponding to the first format and a second data map corresponding to the second format. The method converts each file, record by record, using the information from the first and second data maps associated with the selected record. A determination is made as to whether each field is present in the second format, and if so, the field data is copied to a new record at a field location for the field that is set forth in the second data map.